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SUBJECT: REPORT OF U.S. ARMY SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITY IN BERLIN

1. AP AND DPA WIRES CARRIED STORIES PICKED UP BY LOCAL PRESS AUGUST 4 TO EFFECT THAT INVESTIGATOR FOR SENATOR WEICKER, WHO VISITED GERMANY IN JUNE, HAD OBTAINED DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF WIRE-TAPPING, PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEILLANCE, PENETRATION AND OPENING OF MAIL BY U.S. ARMY INTELLIGENCE UNITS. ACCORDING TO STORY TWO WEST BERLIN ORGANIZATIONS, "CONCERNED AMERICANS IN BERLIN" AND MCGOVERN CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, WERE TARGETS OF THIS ACTIVITY.

2. IN WAKE OF EARLIER STORIES RE U.S. ARMY INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES IN FRG, WE HAD PREPARED AND GIVEN AP FOLLOWING CONTINGENCY GUIDANCE (NOT CARRIED): "IT IS OUR POLICY NOT TO COMMENT ON SUCH ALLEGATIONS. I CAN SAY THAT ALL ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE SECURITY OF BERLIN ARE CONDUCTED IN STRICT ACCORD WITH APPLICABLE LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS."

3. WHEN QUERY RECEIVED FROM AP AUGUST 3 RE STORY PARA 1, SECOND SENTENCE OF GUIDANCE WAS AMENDED, AT REQUEST
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OF USAREUR TO READ "THE DOCUMENTS ARE IN THE HANDS OF THE

SENATOR AND WHEN THEY ARE RELEASED TO THE ARMY, THE ARMY
WILL INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGATIONS."

4. FYI: ALLEGATIONS ARE CURRENTLY UNDER INVESTIGATION BY
APPROPRIATE ARMY AUTHORITIES. WE WILL REPORT RESULTS OF
INVESTIGATION AS INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE. END FYI.

5. USCOB CONSURS.BORG

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